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NASA EMPLOYEE CHARGED

On February 28, 2000, Douglas John Willowby, a Marshall Space Flight Center employee, was charged for possession of child pornography in a three-count criminal information filed in U. S. District Court, Birmingham, Alabama.

The investigation disclosed that Willowby downloaded and saved several hundred images of child pornography to his personal computer. Willowby then transferred the images to a NASA-owned computer, floppy disks, Compact disks, and Zip disks while at his NASA office.

This investigation was conducted by Special Agents of the NASA Office of Inspector General, Office of Criminal Investigations, the Alabama Bureau of Investigation, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Assistant United States Attorney James E. Phillips, Northern District of Alabama is handling the prosecution of this matter.

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